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### Press Release

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### Lehigh County announces 2021 Homelessness Prevention Grant

**Lehigh County, PA-** On Thursday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, Lehigh County's Department of Community and Economic Development will begin to accept applications for the 2021 Homelessness Prevention Grant. The program is open to non-profit organizations within Lehigh County seeking to reduce homelessness housing rates as well as create economic opportunities for afflicted individuals and families. If approved, applicants can receive up to \$25,000-\$50,000 in funding.

#### **Eligibility Requirements:**

- An organization requesting a Homelessness Prevention grant must be an organization recognized as either:
  - a.) a nonprofit organization under Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code or
  - b.) a nonprofit organization affiliated with a unit of local government.

If approved, the funding for the grant may be used for the following:

- House First model activities, including provision of housing or support services.
- Provision of emergency housing through temporary shelter.
- Rental assistance.
- Rapid rehousing assistance.

Further details, eligibility requirements, and application information can be found on the Lehigh County website at <https://www.lehighcounty.org/>.

"As County Executive, I commend our Community and Economic Development team for establishing this grant and providing a nonprofit organization the opportunity to fund this cause." Said Lehigh County Executive Phil Armstrong, "Homelessness is a growing concern, and now more than ever, it is critical that we ensure we are doing everything we can for our residents in need. The 2021 Homelessness Prevention Grant is a step forward in solving homelessness in Lehigh County, and I encourage all eligible applicants to apply."

The deadline to apply for the 2021 Homelessness Prevention Grant is Friday, July 16<sup>th</sup>, at 4:00PM. All applications must be received by this date. To apply, please submit all completed applications to Aidan Levinson at [AidanLevinson@lehighcounty.org](mailto:AidanLevinson@lehighcounty.org) or by mail to:

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